POEM

Dragon

The word “shit” spray painted in Tampa Bay in 1983

Inside the park homerun

DANCE LIKE NO ONE IS WATCHING

You’re scared at first

But you gather your courage and dance

You dance like a fool
You dance and dance and…
dance

You feel so free

Your brain and life open to new ideas

ideas you knew were always there

Love
Freedom

Yourself

You decide to never forget
these feelings

To truly honor them

You cry with joy

You live your life differently
from then on

Open to new things
to growth and change

and you
NEVER
forget to dance

WIND AND LIGHT

The idea of wind
as a drug
in a child
describing light
to death

DOG POEM

A boring dog is in a dorm room

Someone in the room pees on lettuce

Another person thinks about what it would be like to strip at the age of 50 as a man

RACE

I raced a kid who had down syndrome

he was a lot older than me

he would race me every time I asked

COOL GUY

A cool guy takes an impressive bong hit

You wouldn’t think a bong hit could impress you

But it does

Someone has a pet snake
You look into its eye

The snake says
“Your dad’s pleated pants.”

The cool guy starts doing surprisingly good Al Pacino impressions

The snake says,
“Forever”

BORING AND SAFE

Sometimes a parent’s smile

Makes me think of them
crying alone

Sometimes I get so bored
I think about having a kid

A 50 year old dad looks out a window
reminds himself that at the very least
he loves his kids

before breaking out into a silly song
making his family laugh

I like Honey Nut Cheerios
I remember eating them as a kid
I always trusted that Bee
fun was going to be had
but rules would be followed

Count Chocula and the likes
I wasn’t ready to party like that

I vote democrat

Timon and Pumba
Make a rap album with Joe Biden

I would like kids

god
drugs

kids
art

I care about money now

because I don’t want to have roommates

my body hurts

and I might want to raise a child

it’s everything I thought caring about money would feel like

HIGH SCHOOL

I watched a high schooler take
out the screen to their window

on a third floor
and take a hit from a bowl

FRIENDS

My friends come up to me
And say,
“We forgive you for everything
that you have ever feared”

We embrace and rays of light
come out of our hearts

ELF POEM

A little elf hides in a boot

Jason why did you break your lute?

Jason why did you go to Buffalo and talk to Doug?

The elf changes his name to Ken

A person understands what
the difference between TBS
and TNT is

WORRYING

If I had any advice for anyone
and I generally don’t

It would be:
Don’t worry, be happy
Or do the exact opposite
and worry a lot
and accept that you can only
do that

People don’t choose to be born
and life is suffering
it’s a good start to the idea
of humor

I would like everyone to be
happy
for love to be the greatest
power
for everyone to be who they
want to be
to accept what they are not

for everyone to work together
to help each other

GREAT

Pat Sjack gently and
respectfully
pressing his bum against a
walled mirror

a kite with a polar bear on it

A person agrees to like
baseball in their mind

Ting Ting

Kentucky

ELF POEM #2

A little elf pops up throughout
your life
and feeds you ranch

It is the greatest thing in your
life

And it’s hard for you to
understand what it means

HAIR LINE

I would like to get into jet
skiing

the toothy smile
and arched back

receding hairline

thinking about trying not to
get into Christianity

The drama of nothing

sports
art
games

these things bring peace

Sometimes life is so
predictable
that it’s insane

it’s like if love didn’t have a
name
PRETTY GIRLS

In every high school
there is always

“The prettiest girl”

They should all have a unified dream where they form a Greek chorus

Singing while watching Coca Cola erode a tooth in a golden cup
which they drink from
while putting a microphone in their mouths
forming a noise band

skinning a man alive while performing and turning into manatee’

They walk with Jesus and Satan

12 YEARS OLD

Axl Rose at the peak of his powers
killing a t-rex with a bazooka
in a red fast car

as cereal for puberty

INTERNET

A person eats themselves to death
In a spiritual and literal way

They are resurrected as a flower on a mountain

The flower is on a screen saver
A person interrupts the screen saver
To use a computer to find god

WORK

A big part of a job
is everyone agreeing on
what is the least amount you
have to work
and still have the job

RAINBOW POEM

You forget that they exist
That this world is this world
Then out of nowhere
You see a rainbow in the sky
and you must convince your
mind
For a millisecond not to
change everything

They are that beautiful

DOUG

A person named
Doug
exhales a bong hit
in Malibu

Doug knows Doug

DOG POEM #2

A frisbee lands on whipped cream
In a way that proves many things

A dog secretly says, “Carl”
only once

DOG POEM #3

Two of the same breed of dog
have a staring contest seated
in the same pose

While someone sitting
perfectly between the dogs
snouts
tries to sell you hair plugs

Their feet smell and they have
9 ponies

That is cocaine most of the
time

1980’s

Using white out to announce a new love

Great White is playing in the background
cheese is being cooked

Your cousin is practicing with a throwing star

While Hollywood is building puppets for Aliens

OR

The spirit of John Candy
Riding a manatee
In the spirt of Dallas and
Northern California
In 1987

SUMMER CAMP

You go to summer camp
and dye your hair with kool
aid

A fun camp counselor does the
moonwalk

You give a friend a bracelet

LIFE PATH

At the beginning you don’t
understand why you’re alive

You do fun, unsafe things for
the rest of your life

You feel a great deal of pain
You are not bored

While dying you think,
“There are other ways I could
have done all this, but now I’m

dying so it doesn’t really
matter”

LOVE POEM

Everyone tries to love
everyone the same

Some people are given the
skill’s to do this better than
others

A fair amount of the time
the ones who can’t
get punished
by the ones who can

TOMS

All the Taz tattoos
combine into one Taz
and he gives cognitive therapy
to MFA graduates
who are in existential crisis

It works for a bit
and they try to seduce Taz
with their conceptual art

It fails and they become
extreme sport people

A half price Lizard at Toms?

13 YEAR OLD

A 13-year-old draws cool
things on a bong
They do a good job
They feel great about it

“Time to honor myself and
take the biggest hit”

The smoke goes into the sky

DOG POEM #4

A person secretly names their
own mind
”Randolph”

As a small dog makes eye
contact with itself
in a mirror for the first time

POEM

God is dead
God is love

ferret on coke

ACCEPTANCE

A person falls down a hole
And while falling says
in a wacky voice

“I didn’t think that was going
to happen”

MIDWEST

Baseball marrying baseball

In Iowa

A man with tight shorts vomits mayo
turns to you with the biggest
and smallest smile

Some people call me shadow boy
Some people call me ralph

I would like to see an Olympic gymnast

Doing a floor routine with a wireless mic

explaining complex mathematics

In a IHOP parking lot in Iowa
At 3 AM in front of no one

DOG POEM #5

A kid writes the word Tim on
the back of his head
While on a large ladder

The ladder is then placed back
in its original store

With a little orange ribbon on it

The ladder is bought once again
and the ribbon is placed on around the neck of a dog

That lives under a bean bag
an old man calls the dog

“Brice”